

Letter from Stanton.

THE RICHMOND LUTHERAN CHURCH—OLD PRO-TESTANT—STANTON, MARCH 23, 1876.

The amount raised by the L. C. of the Lutheran Church at Stanton, Va., on the 23rd inst., was \$27.96—a result of the influence of the Society.

At the meeting of the Society, on the 23rd inst., Mr. H. C. Baker, the lady president of the Society, said: "We will work for the success of our cause, to continued effort, to encourage the hearts of our friends."

The Council has made an appropriation to the Water Works, and it is to be made there, and the Council has made an appropriation to the Water Works, and it is to be made there.

The residence of Mr. John Withrow, at Brownsville, was burned Sunday night, with nearly all the furniture. The loss is \$4000, uninsured.

There is a custom here. When it snows the people go out. When it rains the people go out. When it rains the people go out.

Letter from Charlottesville. THE RICHMOND LUTHERAN CHURCH—OLD PRO-TESTANT—CHARLOTTESVILLE, MARCH 23, 1876.

Yesterday morning a colored blacksmith at Harris's Agricultural Works was dangerously hurt. He was standing with his back to the furnace, and he was killed.

Several of our citizens were summoned before Judge Rives's court yesterday, and they were summoned before Judge Rives's court yesterday.

The receiver of the national bank is now paying out checks for the ten per cent. dividend recently declared in favor of depositors. It will pay in circulation between \$1,000 and \$20,000.

From Patrick County. PATRICK COUNTY, VA., MARCH 20, 1876.

Editors Dispatch: For the last few days we have had a very cold snap. The frost has done great damage to the early fruit.

Major Craig, our popular and useful delegate, is home in a very precarious condition. He has been very much prostrated by his recovery.

Editors Dispatch: Spaw fever here yesterday about six or seven cases, with a crisis of about two or three and a half, and three deaths to-day.

David R. Bogner was convicted on the 18th inst. at St. Louis, Mo., of a conspiracy against the Life Association of America, and he was sentenced to pay a fine of \$100, costs of suit, and to imprisonment in the county jail for three months.

LARSEN B. Wyatt, of Richmond, Va., died at the boarding-house of Mrs. Price, on Cameron street, this evening, of paralysis of the face.

Colonel G. F. B. Leighton, who owns the largest peach orchards in our section, informs us that the recent cold snap has entirely destroyed the prospects of a crop of DuRoi's strawberries.

Strawberries are uninjured, and the damage to early vegetables is slight. —Norfolk Day-Book.

REMARKABLE PREMONITION.—We were informed last week that Mr. John Cunningham, of Frederick county, Va., son of James L. Cunningham, Esq., of this county, has a daughter attending one of the schools in Woodstock, and Mr. Cunningham intended making her a visit on the Saturday preceding the frightful accident which occurred, and which destroyed the bridge.

BY TELEGRAPH.

THE BELKNAP DISGRACE.

SUPPLIES BY ALABAMA AWARDS.

MORE ABOUT THE FAULTY SALE OF POST-TRADESHIPS.

THE EMMA-MINE BUSINESS—WHAT STEWART RECEIVED FOR HIS SERVICES.

FATAL BOILER EXPLOSION.

The Alabama Claims—Removal of the U. S. Army Headquarters to Washington—Hayden's Advice Report Jaelm as Completely in the Hands of the Insurgents—Victoria Express of the Indies.

Frost in Georgia—Early Vegetables and Fruit Killed—Bishop Johns out of Danger, &c., &c.

XLVTH CONGRESS—First Session.

WASHINGTON, March 23, 1876.

SENATE.

The morning hour was devoted to petitions.

Mr. Morton gave notice that next Monday he would call up and dispose of the resolution to investigate the Mississippi elections.

The discussion on the bill for counting the electoral vote consumed the remainder of the day.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Bills were passed to sell certain lands at Vincennes for railroad purposes; prohibiting the cutting of timber on Indian reservations or lands owned by Indians.

The bill repealing the law which forbids the appointment to any position in the army of any person who served in the army of the Confederate States in the late rebellion was passed.

The House went into Committee of the Whole on appropriations. After a general debate the committee rose, and the House adjourned.

AFFAIRS AT WASHINGTON.

VARIOUS ITEMS.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—The Ways and Means Committee have concluded the cotton branch of the tariff bill, increasing the duty on bleached from three and a half to four per cent.

The report of the committee of investigation in the Florida cadetship case will exonerate Representative Hays from the charge of cadet-selling.

Postmaster Bird, of Boston, in settling, turned in \$15,000 of old claims, which were disallowed.

Ex-Minister Schenck is here. Six to eight thousand dollars were ex-acted from Durfee & Peck for campaign purposes in the last presidential election.

Fish & Evans were also bid, in addition to what they paid Marsh.

Bowers's estate at his death was worth \$25,000 to \$30,000, including \$15,000 of life insurance. The insurance was paid to Pendleton as the lawyer of Bowers's widow (now Mrs. Belknap), and was paid to the order of Amanda Bowers. Leonard paid it to Pendleton and got his (Leonard's) note. The testimony is cumulative as to the sale of post-trade-ships, but there is nothing to convict Belknap.

Ex-Senator Stewart received \$300,000 for services in the Emma mine business, \$100,000 of which was a present to his wife.

The grand jury has indicted Hallet Kilbourn for contempt of the House Committee.

The penalty is \$1,000 fine and one year's confinement.

Pierpont's evidence before the crooked whiskey committee developed nothing. Gen. Leonard admitted to him and General public to the letter, and had defended himself on the ground that they were trying to drown and destroy him (Babcock), and that he had the right to defend himself.

THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY DEFENDED.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—Mr. Yates, of North Carolina, to-day, in the Committee of the Whole, made a strong argument to show that disloyalty to the Republican party was not disloyalty to the Government. When southern men in the House could not be bought they were called rebels. When purchased like Governor Hays and General Grant, they were called traitors.

Formed into patriots far surpassing in merit those Union soldiers who belonged to the Democratic party. Grantism at one time bid fair to charge the character of this government in the South, where Government soldiers and Grantism would at any time have voted for Grant as King. The speech was well received.

GENERAL NEWS OF THE DAY.

FATAL BOILER EXPLOSION.

LAVINIA CITY, March 23.—The boiler of the Union Pacific Railroad exploded to-day, wrecking the building, killing four persons, and hurting two others.

PROBABLE RETURN OF THE ARMY HEAD-QUARTERS TO WASHINGTON.

St. Louis, March 23.—General Sherman left here for Washington last night in response to an invitation from Secretary of War Taff, who desired to consult with him. It is thought here that there is a possibility of the return of the army headquarters back to Washington.

EARLY VEGETABLES AND FRUITS KILLED BY FROST.

AUGUSTA, Ga., March 23.—Severe frosts have killed the early crop of vegetables and fruits in South Carolina and Georgia. Advice from Charleston and Savannah report the vegetables of the truck farms destroyed by frost and ice.

BISHOP JOHNS OUT OF DANGER.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—Bishop Johns, of Virginia, is much better, and out of danger unless a relapse occurs, which is not very probable.

REODE ISLAND REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

PROVIDENCE, March 23.—The Republican State Convention has renominated the present State officers.

ROGER A. PRIOR TO DEFEND ARMS.

New York, March 23.—General Roger A. Pryor started from Brooklyn last evening for Mississippi, having been retained to defend Governor Ames in his trial before the high court of impeachment.

LOST OVERBOARD.

NORFOLK, March 23.—The schooner William Parrot arrived to-day from New Haven. She lost her mate, Charles Booth, overboard in a gale on the night of the 21st instant.

BANK SWINDLED BY A BOOK-KEEPER.

New York, March 23.—Hicks, book-keeper of the Marine Bank, has been swindled that institution out of \$25,000 by false entries.

BANK-FAILURE.

Utica, N. Y., March 23.—The Bank of Utica has failed for \$70,000. The bank had a number of local depositors.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.

NEW ORLEANS, March 23.—A fire in Jackson, La., destroyed the greater portion of the business part of the town. Loss from \$50,000 to \$70,000.

PORTUGAL INTELLIGENCE.

Lisbon, March 23.—A protest has been received from the Vatican against the article of the Spanish Constitution relating to religious toleration. The protest declares that the article violates the rights of Catholicism and the rights of the Concordat.

The Cortes will begin the discussion of the new Constitution next week. It is believed that the Government will send an agent to Rome to protest against the article of the Constitution.

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FOREIGN SECURITIES HAVE BEEN SLOWLY, BUT REGULARLY, ADVANCING.

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